

An inviting safe community for all

St James Weekly for the week starting July 3, 2022

St James Episcopal Church

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any pastoral care or other needs.

Masks are optional for all church activities. Distancing is still a safer practice. Thanks!

Recurring Schedule

Book Discussion Sundays 8:30AM (in-person/Zoom)

We're discussing <u>Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path for Healing Ourselves and Our World</u> by Nobel laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu & his daughter, Anglican priest Mpho A Tutu. This book helps answer "How do I forgive?" The Tutus lay out the simple but profound truths about the significance of forgiveness, how it works, why everyone needs to know how to grant it and receive it, and why granting forgiveness is the greatest gift we can give to ourselves when we have been wronged. They explain the four-step process of forgiveness as well as offer meditations, exercises, and prayers.

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/biblestudy To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799 When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 580 876 932 # When prompted for Participant ID, press # When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

Worship—Sundays at 10AM (in-person/online)

Attend in-person at 10AM, or participate LIVE at 10AM or view at any time after on YouTube (video links are also shared on Facebook): go.mysjec.com/youtube

7/3 Pentecost 4: Independence Day weekend 7/10 Pentecost 5: Becoming Beloved Community series 7/17 Pentecost 6: Becoming Beloved Community series 7/24 Pentecost 7: Becoming Beloved Community series

Fellowship—Sundays at 11:15AM (in-person)

Please join us downstairs after worship each week for refreshments, snacks, and conversation. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided. We invite anybody who is interested to bring snacks/treats to share any week.

Mid-Week Worship—Wed at 4:30PM (Zoom) On break —resumes with new 4:30PM time on July 13.

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/Wednesday
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 670 567 006 #
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Morning Prayer—Fridays at 7:00AM (Zoom)

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/Friday
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 831 5230 0483 #
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When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

Celebrating Our Mission, Service, & Ministries

Help us grow the St James Tree of Life! One of our subgoals is to "Regularly celebrate the mission, service, and ministries of individuals, inviting them to share these experiences to educate and encourage others".

We invite you to sign up for a date to share briefly (1-3 minutes) about any mission, service, or ministry you are involved in through St James, another organization, or in your own way. You can share what you do, why you became involved, and anything else you'd like to add. If you're involved in more than one mission, service, or ministry, we invite you to sign up to share on more than one date. It's okay if more than one person shares about the same thing on different dates. Thanks!

If you have any questions, please talk to Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Tony Karl, or Amma Diane.

Please pray for upcoming General Convention (7/8-7/11) & Lambeth Conference (7/26-8/8)

The 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church will take place July 8-11 in Baltimore, MD. The General Convention is the governing body of The Episcopal Church. The Convention is a bicameral legislature that includes the House of Deputies, which has more than 800 members, and the House of Bishops, which is comprised of nearly 300 active and retired bishops. The Convention meets every three years and has the authority to amend the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church; adopt the budget for the church for the next three years; authorize liturgical texts and amend the Book of Common Prayer; adopt communions and covenants with other churches; set qualifications for orders of ministry and office-holders; elect officers of the General Convention, the Executive Council, and members of boards; and delegate responsibilities to the interim bodies of The Episcopal Church. The schedule has been shortened this year due to COVID.

The 15th Lambeth Conference will take place July 26—August 8 in Lambeth, England. The Episcopal Church is part of the Anglican branch of Christianity. The Lambeth Conference is a gathering of bishops from across the Anglican Communion for prayer and reflection, fellowship and dialogue on church and world affairs. With the theme of 'God's Church for God's World -walking, listening and witnessing together,' the conference will explore what it means for the Anglican Communion to be responsive to the needs of a 21st Century world.

NEW! Monthly fellowship gathering 9AM on Sat 7/9

Our next monthly fellowship gathering will take place at 9AM on Saturday, July 9. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall at St James (bring your own food/snacks, if you like). A Zoom option is available for those who can't be present in-person. All are welcome!

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 822 4207 3112#
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero
By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/fellowship

UPDATED! Vestry Notes

- Starting in July, our special offering in odd-numbered months will be the Manitowoc Warming Shelter. This new community ministry is being developed for launch this coming Winter and will initially be housed at First Presbyterian Church. Please label gifts accordingly. Volunteers will also be needed—visit manitowocwarmingshelter.org for more information.
- A new mailbox has been installed by the State St glass doors. We're minimizing use of the 8th St doors for safety (especially in winter with those steps).
- Final touches are being done in our Chapel, which will be available for use soon.
- We'll soon be adjusting the positioning of our pews, rotating them inward at a small angle. This is to help enhance our feeling of being in community while we worship. This plan was discussed by the congregation several times previously and delayed for a few years due to COVID and other work.
- We will be hosting some movie-watching events at St James in the near future. If you have suggestions for days/times you prefer, please let Amma Diane know.
- We're resuming work on previously delayed parking lot labyrinth and little free library projects.
- Financial reports are posted outside the office.

Next Vestry meeting will be on Zoom at 5PM on 7/26.

"Helping Our Neighbors" mission project

The poverty rate in Manitowoc is about 14%, and hunger continues to impact families and individuals. Over the next few months, we invite you to bring non-perishable food, hygiene products, and personal care items to donate as often as you are able. We'll have a collection spot in the front left of the Sanctuary near the piano (similar to what we did in Advent), and volunteers will periodically deliver these items to Peter's Pantry. If you'd like to contribute financially, label your gift "Helping Our Neighbors" (checks payable to St James).

New sanctuary fans

New fans have been purchased and set up around the perimeter of the Sanctuary. Fans are positioned to provide maximum circulation for overall comfort. When the fans are on, please leave them set as they are —do not move, adjust, or turn off. If it is too drafty for you near the outer aisles, please move toward the center aisle while the fans are in use. Thanks!

Prayers for the Week

Healing/Comfort/Strength: Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Debbie, Silas, Laurie, Geno, Bonnie, Bonnie & Charlie, Marcia & John, Chip & Janice, Steven, Len & Margaret, Mary, Vicki, Tom, Grace, Matthew, Sid, Shelley, Karleen, Judy M & Misty, Al, Richard, Lisa B, Mike, Bishop Matt & Leslie, Pete, Dave, Nancy T, Brian M.

Guidance & Discernment: Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Susie, Brian & Lisa, Frankie, Deb & Jim, Joy's grandson.

Serving in the Military: Jordan, Ian, Logan, Keaton, Marshall, Jacob, Jack.

Additional Prayers we offer include: For Peace in our world... for the people of Ukraine, Russia, Afghanistan, Haiti, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, Madagascar and missionary families. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee and the trialogue taking place among them. For people living with mental illness. For Painting Pathways Clubhouse. Hope House families. The men of The Haven. We pray for those working in government in our cities, state, country, and the world. We pray for our neighborhood. For the people around the world affected by the coronavirus pandemic. Pray for an end to violence, racism and social injustice in our country and around the world. Pray for people around the world dealing with severe weather and related damage, injury, and deaths. We pray for those in the world who do not have enough to eat, may we help to keep food available to all.

We offer thanks for: Diane our Rector, Chris and Mary, our Wardens, our Vestry and other ministry leaders, staff, and every person in this congregation. Bishop Matt Gunter and his wife Leslie and family. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his wife, Sharon. Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby. For our companion Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe and the appointment of Reverend Friar Fungayi Nyandoro as the Vicar General of Masvingo Diocese until a Diocesan Ordinary (Bishop) is elected.

We Pray for the Departed: Tom & Audrey, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Clarence & Liese, Deena, Shirley, David Johnson, Gary Drohman, Mitch, all who have died as a result of gun violence.

Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 7/1 Kurt Hall; 7/1 Sherry Paszkiewicz; 7/1 Bob Turnbull; 7/11 Tony Karl; 7/11 Davina Rabe; 7/12 Amy Healey; 7/13 Len Coombs; 7/14 Judy Lavicka; 7/18 Mary Green; 7/22 Dave Haefke; 7/24 Murray Sim; 7/25 Gary Alsteen; 7/25 Liz Gordon; 7/30 Alison Hunner

Anniversaries: 7/3 James & Mary Green; 7/13 Kevin & Tammy McVeigh

If you would like your prayer requests to be included on our list, or to add a milestone, please contact Amma Diane Murray by phone (920-860-5152) or email (dianemarie.murray@gmail.com).

Sunday Fellowship time after 10AM Worship

Coffee, tea, and water will be provided for Sunday fellowship. We invite anybody who is interested to bring snacks/treats to share any week. Over the Summer, we'll determine if we want to adapt this as we move into the Fall. We invite everybody to take turns helping with the simple clean-up—there is a sign-up sheet in church.